



April 17, 2024  
 STERLING MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT  
 REGULAR SESSION  
 MEETING MINUTES



DATE: April 17, 2024

LOCATION: SMLD, Rear Board Room  
 50 Main Street, Sterling, MA

BOARD MEMBERS: Joe Curtin (Curtin), Chairman  
 Eric Darlington (Darlington), Vice Chair  
 Andrew Gonsorcik (Gonsorcik), Clerk

SMLD STAFF: Matt Stelmach (Stelmach), General Manager

MINUTES: Patty Page

5:00 pm. Meeting called to order. Roll Call Attendance: Darlington present, Curtin present, Gonsorcik present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board members in attendance pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Safety Announcement - Equipment in office.

Approval of Agenda - **Darlington made a motion to approve the agenda.** Gonsorcik seconded, no discussion, all in favor, Darlington aye, Curtin aye, Gonsorcik aye. (3-0).

Manager’s Report

1. The new Customer Service Representative Amanda Manca is fitting right in and doing very well.
2. NISC Financial training is ongoing. Still targeting a go-live of May. Heavy time commitment in the upcoming weeks.
3. Battery Systems Status – NEC inverter repaired, online now. Half of Greensmith remains down and the parts are on order.
4. 2015A / Peabody Peaker – Natural gas is finally available. There is a 2 week delay due to the availability of commissioning engineers. Target Commercial Operation Date is mid-May. MMWEC shed May capacity obligation but still cash positive on the ISO-NE capacity market.
5. Upcoming Conferences: MMWEC – Springfield MA May 1-2, MEAM – Plymouth MA, May 16-17, APPA – San Diego CA June 7-12.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: **At 5:17 pm Darlington made a motion to go into Executive Session (1) under M.G.L. Chapter 30A: Section 21(a), Clause 2, (to conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel).**

Gonsorcik seconded, no discussion, Roll Call Vote, Gonsorcik aye, Darlington aye, Curtin aye. All in favor, 3-0.

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:07 pm.

APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES: **Darlington made a motion to approve the 3/27/2024 regular session minutes as written**, Gonsorcik seconded, no discussion, all in favor. Darlington aye, Curtin aye, Gonsorcik aye. Vote 3-0.

Customer Comments: None at this time.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND SCHEDULE NEXT BOARD MEETING: Future agenda items to include items on this agenda (manager's report) as well as website design, Q1 financials, fiber update, and Board reorganization. Next meeting May 15, 2024 @ 5 pm.

**At 6:22 pm Gonsorcik made a motion to adjourn.** Darlington seconded. All in favor, 3-0.

ATTEST:



Andrew Gonsorcik, Clerk

DATE:

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BOARD APPROVAL FOR RELEASE:

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